



Bird Nest Activity

Get inspired by the amazing keeper staff at the Henry Vilas Zoo and how they care for birds like Hagrid the Tawny Frogmouth! You can care for birds in your own outdoor spaces by collecting some nest materials for them.

Directions:

Go for a walk and collect things you think would help birds build their nests. Look for: sticks, grass, mud, animal fur, dry leaves, and more! Once you bring the nest materials home, divide it into two roughly equal piles. With the first pile, try making your own nest. Experiment with ways of weaving the sticks and leaves together to make it sturdy. Leave the other half of the nesting material in piles outside for the birds to build with. If you leave the items outside a window, you may even get to see the birds enjoying the materials you collected for them. Happy spring!

